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SENATOR HALL: And I'm (inaudible).

SENATOR COORDSEN: The bill, as originally drafted, lapsed the money and that was not the intent.

SENATOR HALL: Okay.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Lapsed the previously appropriated money that was unexpended and I don't believe in causing people to waste money just to be rid of it so it wouldn't be lapsed.

SENATOR HALL: I agree.

SENATOR COORDSEN: The amendment then, while it does prohibit or does away with the Job Training Cash Fund in DED, which they still have, it's my understanding, 930,000 of the million, that may or may not be accurate but that's what I was told...

SENATOR HALL: And that amount remains unspent?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Yeah, that's my understanding. But it does, the amendment corrects an error in the original bill in that it will allow the Legislature to continue to appropriate money from the Contingency Fund for job training programs at the community techs. that are agreed to by the Department of Labor and the community techs.

SENATOR HALL: Okay, so...and that basically was getting to the thrust of what my question was all about. Does this amendment tie it up tight enough so that those funds can't be used? I mean, is the Nebraska Technical Community College Aid Cash Fund, is it limited in where it can be used and what it can be spent on so that those monies that would flow out of the trust fund potentially won't be spent some place else within the tech college system?

SENATOR COORDSEN: The...on the first page of the amendment in Section 79-2664 it says for the purpose of funding grants for vocational technical faculty training, instructional equipment upgrades, employee assessment, preemployment training, employment training, and dislocated worker programs. So, basically, that's the limiting function on the community techs as to what they can use that money for.

SENATOR HALL: And that's already existing...